

House Resolution No. 1300

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, fifty years ago on March 28, 1958, Connie L. Pickering took the hand of his beautiful bride, Barbara Hutchinson, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at the First Christian Church in Mexico; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Connie and Barbara Pickering have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two children, David Wright Pickering and his wife, Gail, and Pamela Ellen Prater and her husband, Mark; and five grandchildren, Bethanie, Ryan, Lorie, Scott, and Matthew; and

Whereas, Connie Pickering is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as the owner of Pickering Funeral Home in Mexico, where he has been in the funeral service business for more than forty years; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Barbara Pickering has further distinguished herself over the past fourteen years as an Assistant to the City Manager of the City of Mexico; and

Whereas, Connie and Barbara Pickering have also enjoyed recognition as active members of the First Christian Church and as the recipients of numerous community service awards, including the Charles R. Stribling, Jr., Community Service Award that was bestowed upon them by the Mexico Chamber of Commerce in 1995; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Pickering, residents of Mexico, will commemorate the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on March 29, 2008, at the Mexico Country Club:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Connie and Barbara Pickering for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Connie L. Pickering.

Offered by _____
Representative Steve Hobbs
District No. 21

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1300, adopted March 27, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker